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RE: Baseline Study of the Little Spokane River

Dear Dean:

The Department of Ecology is planning on conducting a limited baseline study of the Little Spokane River, in the vicinity of the Colbert Landfill. I have spoken with Larry Beard about Ecology's plans and have asked him to get back to me with any ideas, suggestions, or thoughts regarding the study. If you or anyone else has some ideas, please let me know by July 17, if possible.

Art Johnson of Ecology's Environmental Investigations and Laboratory Services Program will be conducting the study, at my request. The purpose of the study is to assess the current water quality of the Little Spokane River in regards to both volatile organic compounds and general water quality parameters. By establishing a baseline for the river, we will be able to assess any future impacts to the river from the discharge of treated water or the natural discharge of groundwater to the river.

If you have any questions or comments, please let me know by July 17, 1989, so we can finalize the plans for the study. As I mentioned earlier, the baseline study will be limited in scope. I am attempting to obtain the most information for the least cost. My phone number is (206)438-3043 or Scan 585-3043.

Sincerely,

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